Fort McCoy Regulation 190-13

Protective Services Division

Hunting, Fishing, Trapping Laws & Regulations

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SUMMARY of CHANGE

Regulation 190-13 Hunting, Fishing, Trapping Laws & Regulations

- Replaced McCoy Regulation 420-26.
- Organizational change
- □ Locations of Hunter Registration (Sign In/Sign Out) Points
- □ Addition of a Special Muzzle-Loading/Shotgun Hunt
- Addition of a Disabled Deer Hunt season
- Addition of a Disabled Turkey Hunt season
- Lifting of the Hunter Permit Check Points in lieu of Hunter sign in/sign out requirements

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Hunting, Fishing, Trapping Laws & Regulations

HISTORY. This is the initial publishing of McCoy regulation 190-13, which replaces McCoy 420-26.

SUMMARY. This regulation sets forth laws and regulations for all hunting, fishing and trapping on Fort McCoy.

APPLICABILITY. This regulation is applicable to all activities on Fort McCoy. Civilian, military, tenants, and training units are required to comply with this regulation. No activity is exempt from this regulation.

PROPONENT EXCEPTION AUTHORITY. The Proponent of Fort McCoy Regulation 190-13 is DTMS, Protective Services Division. Requests for additional copies of this regulation should be directed to: Directorate of Training, Mobilization and Security, (AFRC-FM-TMR-RB/Permit Sales, 110 East Headquarters Road, Fort McCoy, WI 54656-5226. Email: permitsales@emh2.mccoy.army.mil.

SUPPLEMENTATION. Supplementation of this circular is prohibited without prior approval from the proponent.

SUGGESTED IMPROVEMENTS. The proponent agency for this circular is DTMS, Protective Services Division, Fort McCoy. Send comments or suggested improvements on DA Form 2028 (Recommended Changes to Publications and Blank Forms) directly to DTMS, Protective Services Division, (AFRC-FM-TMS-L), 1757 S. 11th Avenue, Fort McCoy, WI 54656-5124.

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Chapter 1

- 1-1 PURPOSE: This regulation establishes laws and regulations enforceable in federal court for hunting, trapping, and fishing on Fort McCoy. This regulation promotes the management of these activities and populations of fish and game on Fort McCoy. If this regulation conflicts with State of Wisconsin hunting, fishing and trapping regulations or other federal or state directives, such conflicts will be brought promptly to the attention of the Protective Services Division, ATTN: AFRC-FM-TMS-L, 1757 South 11th Avenue, Fort McCoy, WI 54656-5124.
- 1-2 REFERENCES: Required and related publications as defined are available from the Protective Services Division, 1757 South 11th Avenue, Fort McCoy, WI.

1-3 RESPONSIBILITIES:

- a. The Protective Services Division is the proponent of this regulation.
- b. Fort McCoy Legal Office will provide legal assistance and review/process all citations.
- c. For information call the Police Desk Officer (608) 388-2266. Police monitor CB Channel 9. Training area emergency phones (see appendices for locations) may be used to report violations to PSD (608) 388-8437 or (608) 388-2266.
- d. It is the responsibility of the individual recreational participant to call the **GAME LINE**, (608) 388-4263, for changes or temporary regulations to the activities they wish to participate in on Fort McCoy. The GAME LINE information should be checked frequently to ensure that the activity they wish to enjoy has not been restricted because of unforeseen mission requirements.

Chapter 2

- 2-1 INSTALLATION GENERAL REGULATIONS AS RELATED TO HUNTING, FISHING, AND TRAPPING:
- a. <u>Vehicle registration</u>: All vehicles entering the cantonment area of Fort McCoy property must be registered. Call vehicle registration at (608) 388-4988 for more information.
 - b. Requirements for sign in/sign out:
- (1) All <u>hunting</u> permit holders are required to sign in at the designated sign in/sign out locations prior to entering Fort McCoy for such purpose. Permit holders are required to sign out at the same location upon leaving the area.
- (2) The primary sign in/sign out location is the Coal Yard Hunter Registration Point (CYHRP). However, the location may be changed to facilitate Fort McCoy mission requirements. Any change in the location for sign in/sign out will be noted on the GAME LINE (608) 388-4263.
- (3) Special sign in/sign out procedures will be used during the Gun-Deer hunting season (Gun-Deer hunters see para 3-4-f).
- (4) The CYHRP is located on the south of Highway 21 at the intersection of Quarry Hill Road and Highway 21. Information regarding sign in/sign out procedures will be posted at the CYHRP.
 - (5) Sign in/sign out requirements do not pertain to trappers and anglers.
- c. <u>Activity Information Card</u>: All <u>permit</u> holders, including hunting, trapping, and angling, are required to display a 5x8 information card on the passengers side of the windshield with the following information: Permit holder's full Name (if there is more than one permit holder per vehicle, the names of all permit holders will be noted), Activity (archery, fishing, gun-deer, small-game, scouting, etc), and emergency contact phone number for each permit holder in the vehicle.

- d. <u>Vehicle Search</u>: Owners and/or operators of motor vehicles that enter the property of Fort McCoy consent to the search of that motor vehicle.
 - e. Alcohol: It is not permitted to be intoxicated or to consume alcohol while in hunting and trapping areas.
- f. <u>Speed Limits</u>: The speed limit on Fort McCoy is 10 mph when passing troops and 30 mph in all other areas, unless otherwise posted.
- g. <u>Reporting of Information</u>: All permit holders are required by this regulation to notify the Fort McCoy police of uncontrolled fires, the location of any found unexploded ordinance, and any observed violations of Federal, State or Fort McCoy Regulations or laws.
- h. <u>Conduct</u>: All permit holders will cooperate with military officials and Fort McCoy law enforcement personnel. In addition to the appropriate permits, all persons over 18 years old must have an official picture identification in their possession at all times while on Fort McCoy property.
- i. <u>Miscellaneous:</u> Within the boundaries of the installation, without prior authorization, it is unlawful to: (1) pick up, disturb or carry off Government equipment, ordnance, munitions or parts of the same; (2) litter; (3) start fires (charcoal grills are allowed only in designated areas); (4) camp overnight, except at Pine View Campground; 5) shine wild animals with artificial light at anytime; (6) disturb/molest the traps and/or trapped animals of trappers; (7) operate vehicles off established roadways/trails during fishing, small game and archery seasons; (8) operate ATVs at anytime; (9) possess air guns, slingshots or spring loaded devices; and (10) molest or take any non-game species.
- j. <u>Archaeological Resources</u>: It is a federal offense to dig, excavate, disturb the ground, and/or collect archaeological artifacts on Fort McCoy without authorization from DTMS or AFRC-FM-TMR-RB at (608) 388-4795. Violators are subject to criminal penalties involving fines or imprisonment or both and civil fines and forfeiture of vehicles and equipment used in connection with a violation (reference Archaeological Resources Protection Act of 1979, 16 USC 470, and 36 CFR 261.9). Violators will be prosecuted!
- k. <u>Land Rehabilitation and Maintenance (LRAM)</u>: Fort McCoy has LRAM sites in some training areas on the installation. The LRAM program has areas of erosion and selected trails that are being repaired and revegetated. The LRAM sites are clearly marked with signs and yellow tape and should not be disturbed.
- I. <u>Black-Out Drive Hours</u>: Civilian vehicles are prohibited in most training areas after dark. These areas are referred to as Black-Out Drive Areas and are **OFF LIMITS** to civilian vehicles during the following times:

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9:00 p.m. - 5:00 a.m. --- 1 May thru 15 September 8:00 p.m. - 5:00 a.m. --- 16 September thru 30 April
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Personnel may be allowed into these areas earlier and/or later, if Black-Out Drive hours are not in effect; information pertaining to black-out drive areas can be checked by calling the **GAME LINE (608) 388-4263. Information will also be posted at the designated sign in/sign out locations.** The Game Line recording and the listing at the designated sign in / sign out locations will be updated by DTMS-Range Branch by 8:00 a.m. each Monday morning and again by 5:00 p.m. each Friday afternoon; Protective Services will post the information at the sign in/sign out locations. **Fort McCoy reserves the right to adjust this if needed. Hunters and anglers are required to call the Game Line daily for any changes.** Black-Out Drive restrictions will be lifted for the Gun-Deer season. The Black-Out Drive Area is marked with appropriate signage at entry roads.

m. <u>Baiting of Deer</u>: Due to the health concerns and potential spread of disease in deer, the use of bait to attract deer to a specific location is not authorized on Fort McCoy.

2-2 PERMITS/VIOLATIONS:

- a. <u>Permit Requirements</u>: The appropriate Fort McCoy hunting, fishing, trapping permit and appropriate State of Wisconsin license and stamps are required to hunt, fish or trap on the Installation.
- b. <u>Access to Hunting Areas During Gun-Deer Season</u>: Unless authorized by DTMS Range & Training Division or Protective Services Division, only permit holders, or Fort McCoy employees in the performance of their official duties, may enter the hunting areas during the Gun-Deer (G-D) season. Such permission must be granted in writing.
- c. <u>Permit Sales</u>: The Permit Sales Office, Bldg 103, is open Monday-Friday, 7:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. (608) 388-3337. Fort McCoy **permits are not transferable or refundable**. Contact Permit Sales at: DTMS, (AFRC-FM-TMR-RB/Permit Sales), 110 East Headquarters Road, Fort McCoy, WI 54656-5226 or by email: permitsales@emh2.mccoy.army.mil.
- d. <u>Regulations</u>: The State of Wisconsin Hunting, Fishing, and Trapping Regulations are applicable on Fort McCoy except as indicated in this regulation. Violation of either the Wisconsin Hunting, Fishing, or Trapping regulations or this Regulation may result in: (1) criminal prosecution in Federal Magistrate Court; and/or (2) fines and/or forfeiture in U. S. District Court; and/or (3) suspension or revocation of Fort McCoy hunting, fishing and/or trapping privileges either immediately or by written notification (refer to appendix A); and/or (4) disciplinary action under the Uniform Code of Military Justice (UCMJ) for persons subject thereto. Fort McCoy is a separate Deer Management Unit. State of Wisconsin bonus tags or T-Zone tags are not valid on Fort McCoy.
- e. <u>Violations</u>: Violations by an individual of any three or more offenses covered by the State of Wisconsin Hunting Regulation and/or this regulation over a period of five years will subject the individual to permanent revocation of Fort McCoy hunting, fishing, trapping and firewood cutting privileges. If your privileges have been revoked or suspended for a violation, ALL privileges, to include hunting, fishing, trapping and firewood cutting will be revoked or suspended.
- 2-3 HUNTING, FISHING, TRAPPING GENERAL REGULATIONS:
- a. <u>Areas Open</u>: **Not all areas on the installation are open on a given day**. Individuals found in closed areas are subject to prosecution. The Fort McCoy **Game Line (608) 388-4263** is an automatic answering device that advises callers of areas that are closed. This recording is updated by 8:00 a.m. each Monday morning and again by 5:00 p.m. each Friday afternoon. **Fort McCoy reserves the right to adjust area closures as needed to facilitate military training or game management operations. Hunters and anglers are required by this regulation to call the Game Line daily for any changes.**
- b. MAPS: Maps showing the hunting areas referred to on the Game Line are attached to this regulation. Additional maps are available at the permit sales office. In addition to individual hunting maps, the designated sign in/sign out locations will have a large installation map posted with the individual training areas and hunting zones indicated.
- c. <u>Restricted Areas</u>: Hunting in areas B-12, B-13, B-15 and the western half of B-23 is restricted to Active Military and their dependents, with the following exceptions:
 - (1) Each person who is authorized to hunt in these areas can have one guest accompany them.
 - (2) Area B-12 is open to all hunters during the small game, fall and spring turkey, and archery seasons.
- d. <u>Tracking Wounded Deer</u>: You may track a wounded deer into a "closed" hunting area <u>only</u> if accompanied by law enforcement personnel. If a wounded deer goes off the installation, it is your responsibility to obtain permission from the landowner. Hunting or tracking wounded deer into the North Impact Area or onto any ranges within the North Impact Area is <u>forbidden</u> under any circumstances.

- e. <u>Tree Stands</u>: Elevated structures may be used on the installation providing they do not damage the tree and are completely removed each day at the close of hunting hours. Hunters are not allowed to construct or hunt from permanent tree stands.
- f. Individuals are not allowed to hunt within 50 feet from the center of, or shoot across, any improved gravel/paved roads (refer to maps at appendix B and appendix C).
 - g. Driving vehicles onto ranges and hunting from range towers/structures is strictly forbidden.
 - h. Hunting (i.e., predator calling or raccoon hunting) at night is not allowed.
- i. <u>Coyote Hunting</u>: Timber wolves, a federally protected species, have been documented on Fort McCoy; consequently, coyote hunting will not be allowed during the G-D Season.
- j. <u>Deer Drives</u>: Deer drives are allowed as provided in the following paragraphs: 3-3(f) and 3-4(d). A deer drive is defined as an organized activity including two or more individuals hunting together (group) where one or more members of the group are hunting with the intent of driving (moving) deer past another member or members of the group who are positioned in a pre-determined location(s) to shoot at the deer. <u>Hunting parties (groups) may not exceed 10 in number.</u>
- k. <u>Cantonment Area Deer Archery Hunting</u>: Archery hunting may be allowed in the Cantonment Area to Cantonment Archery Bonus Tag holders only. Refer to paragraph 3-3g for further information.
 - I. Vehicles and Snowmobiles are not permitted on frozen lakes, ponds, rivers or streams.

Chapter 3

- 3-1 SMALL GAME REGULATION: (refer to map at appendix B)
- a. <u>Seasons</u>: Except as specifically stated in this regulation, the small game seasons on Fort McCoy are the same as the State of Wisconsin, however, the closing date is February 28.
 - b. Waterfowl regulations and season dates coincide with State and Federal Regulations.
 - c. Small game hunting is not allowed on Fort McCoy during the G-D season.
- d. Hunting areas B-1, B-12, B-13, B-15, B-29, B-30, B-31 the western portion of B-23, C-1, G-1, G-2, D-10, SE M-3 are restricted to shotgun/archery use only for small game hunting (.22 rifles and handguns are NOT allowed).
- 3-2 FALL TURKEY REGULATION: (refer to map at appendix B)
- a. <u>Permits:</u> A Fort McCoy fall turkey hunting permit, the appropriate Wisconsin hunting license (i.e. current Fall Turkey Hunting License, Conservation Patron License or a Senior Citizen Recreation Card), and Turkey Stamp are required. Conservation Patron License and Senior Citizen Recreation Card holders are exempt from the stamp requirement. All persons must reference the Wisconsin Fall Turkey Hunting Regulations for additional license information.
 - b. Season: Coincides with the State of Wisconsin fall turkey hunting season.
 - c. Hunting Hours and Ammunition: Reference State of Wisconsin Fall Turkey Hunting Regulations.
- d. <u>Registration</u>: All turkeys harvested on Fort McCoy must be registered at the Pine View Recreation Area Main Office (Bldg 8053) on the day of the kill.

- 3-3 ARCHERY REGULATION: (refer to map at appendix B)
- a. <u>Season</u>: Coincides with State of Wisconsin season. At the discretion of Fort McCoy biologists, the late season may be bucks only. A decision will be made after the Gun-Deer season and the information provided on the **Game Line (608) 388-4263**.
- b. <u>Deer Registration</u>: All deer harvested by archers on the installation must be registered at the Pine View Recreation Area Main Office (Bldg 8053) on the day of the kill. Archers are required to fill out an archery survey card (available at Pine View Recreation Area) when they register a deer.
 - c. Duplicate State Licenses: Duplicate State of Wisconsin archery licenses are not valid on Fort McCoy.
- d. Once an archer has tagged a deer, the archer can continue to hunt small game using blunt tipped or judo point arrows. Upon tagging a deer, archers cannot have broadheads in their possession unless they have a valid Fort McCoy Fall Turkey permit. Archers are not allowed to shoot deer for another archer.
- e. <u>Restricted Archery Hunting Areas</u>: Several areas on Fort McCoy are open to archery-only hunting (refer to map at appendix B). When hunting in areas around the airport, hunters are not allowed on the airport runways for any reason.
- f. <u>Deer Drives</u>: Deer drives during the early archery season are prohibited (see par. 2-3,i); however, may be allowed if there is a late archery season.
- g. <u>Cantonment Area Deer Archery Hunting</u>: Archery hunting may be allowed in the Cantonment Area to Cantonment Archery Bonus Tag holders only as provided in appendix F & G of Fort McCoy Regulation 190-13. Bonus archery deer tags may be available from Permit Sales Office, Bldg.103, open Monday-Friday, 7:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. (608) 388-3337. The Cantonment Area is subject to closure. Call the **Game Line (608) 388-4263** before hunting.
- 3-4 GUN-DEER (G-D) REGULATION: (refer to map at appendix C)
- a. <u>Seasons:</u> The G-D season dates will coincide with the State of Wisconsin G-D season, however Fort McCoy has a modified 9-day season, referred to as a 2-2-5. This season incorporates 2 days of buck only (Saturday and Sunday), 2 days of either sex (Monday and Tuesday), concluded by 5 days of buck only (Wednesday through Sunday). Hunters are reminded that Fort McCoy operational requirements may require closing the season earlier.
- b. <u>Hunter Choice Permits</u>: Fort McCoy is a separate deer management unit and issues its own Hunter Choice Permits (HCP). HCPs do not represent a bonus deer tag.
 - c. Hours: Hunting hours are: 6:45 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Hunters must be out of hunting areas by 6:00 p.m.
- d. <u>Group Hunting</u>: Once a hunter has tagged a deer, he or she may continue to hunt for the remainder of that day only, but must abide by the Wisconsin Group Hunting Regulation. Following the day that a hunter has tagged a deer, he or she may, <u>if unarmed</u>, assist hunting partners. Deer drives are prohibited during the first two days of the G-D season.
- e. <u>Special Regulations (Firearms)</u>: Certain areas of Fort McCoy designated on the G-D maps (North and South of the airfield; East, West and South of the Ammo Storage Area; and East, West and North of the Cantonment Area) are restricted to shotgun, muzzle-loader, and handgun only. Violators of these restrictions are subject to prosecution under applicable State laws or this regulation.
- f. Entry/Exit to Hunting Areas: Gun-Deer permits allow hunters to hunt in authorized hunting areas on either North or South Post of Fort McCoy. Hunters must sign in and sign out at one of two designated Hunter Registration points. Hunters desiring to hunt in areas north of Highway 21 must sign in/sign out at the East Perimeter Hunter Registration Point (EPHRP) located on X Road, adjacent to the Field Shower site. Hunters desiring to hunt in areas South of Highway 21 must sign in/sign out at the Coal Yard Hunter Registration Point (CYHRP). All hunters must sign out at the location at which they signed in. Sign in/sign out must be done in person, by the permit holder desiring to hunt on

hunt on Fort McCoy; no hunter / permit holder is authorized to sign in nor sign out for another. Sign in / Sign Out registers will be posted at the designated hunter registration locations at such a time as to allow hunting area sign in to begin at 3:00 A.M.; all hunters must be signed out not later than 6:30 P.M. on the same day.

g. <u>Deer Registration</u>: All deer harvested on Fort McCoy will be registered on the day of the kill with a State registration tag before departing from the installation. Deer may be registered at the Coal Yard or East Perimeter Registration Station starting at 7:00 am on Saturday and Sunday. All deer registration for the remainder of the season (Monday-Sunday) will be done at the Coal Yard Registration Station starting at 7:00 A.M. The carcass tag must be accessible to registration personnel, as required by State law.

3-5 DEER - DISABLED HUNTS

- a. <u>Permits</u>: A Fort McCoy Special Hunt permit, Wisconsin Class A or Class C hunting permit, and Wisconsin Gun Deer hunting license are required.
- b. <u>Seasons:</u> The Disabled Deer season, if held, may be in conjunction with the State of Wisconsin Gun Deer Hunt for Hunters with Disabilities. The Wildlife Biologist, as needed, may establish other season dates. Hunters are reminded that Fort McCoy operational requirements may require closing the season earlier.
- c. <u>Hours:</u> Reference State of Wisconsin General Hunting Regulations. Any changes to hunting hours will be provided to hunters and/or announced on the Game Line (608) 388-4263.
 - d. Firearms: Weapon restrictions may be instituted depending on the location of hunting area.
- e. <u>Hunting Areas</u>: Hunting areas will be determined by the Wildlife Biologist based upon deer management needs and hunter accessibility requirements. Appendix B shows overall scouting / hunting (military training) areas as referenced on the **Game Line (608) 388-4263**.
- f. <u>Hunter Briefings</u>: Individuals selected for the Disabled Deer season may be required to attend an informational and safety briefing with the Wildlife Biologist.

3-6 SPECIAL MUZZLE-LOADER / SHOTGUN (ML/S) HUNTS

- a. <u>Permits</u>: A Fort McCoy Special Muzzle-Loader / Shotgun and Wisconsin Gun Deer hunting license are required.
- b. <u>Seasons:</u> The Special ML-S hunt, if held, may be conducted as needed throughout the year to meet deer management needs as determined by the Wildlife Biologist. Hunters are reminded that Fort McCoy operational requirements may require closing the season earlier.
 - c. <u>Hours:</u> Hunting hours will be established dependent on hunt dates.
- e. <u>Hunting Areas:</u> Hunting areas will be determined by the Wildlife Biologist based on deer management needs. Appendix B shows overall scouting / hunting (military training) areas as referenced on the **Game Line (608)** 388-4263.
- f. <u>Hunter Briefings</u>: Individuals selected for the Special ML/S hunt may be required to attend an informational and safety briefing with the Wildlife Biologist.
- g. <u>Deer Registration</u>: All deer harvested on Fort McCoy must be registered the day of the kill with a state registration tag before departing the installation. The carcass tag must be accessible to registration personnel, as required by State law. Registration points will be identified at the time of the hunt; information will be provided on the Game Line (608) 388-4263, and posted at the sign in / sign out locations.

3-7 SPRING TURKEY REGULATION (Map - appendix B)

- a. <u>Permits</u>: A Fort McCoy spring turkey hunting permit, the appropriate Wisconsin hunting license (i.e., current Spring Turkey Hunting License, Conservation Patron License or a Senior Citizen Recreation Card), and Turkey Stamp are required. Conservation Patron License and Senior Citizen Cardholders are exempt from the stamp requirement. All persons must reference the Wisconsin Spring Turkey Hunting Regulations for additional license information.
- b. <u>Seasons</u>: The Spring Turkey seasons on Fort McCoy consist of 6 hunting periods, commencing on the opening day of the Wisconsin Spring Turkey season. The first hunt consists of Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, the following five weekly periods are Monday Friday. Hunting is not allowed on weekends.
- c. <u>Hunting Hours and Ammunition</u>: Reference State of Wisconsin Spring Turkey Hunting Regulations. Any changes to hunting hours will be provided to hunters and/or announced on the Game Line (608) 388-4263.
- d. <u>Registration</u>: All turkeys harvested on Fort McCoy **must be registered** at the Pine View Recreation Area Main Office (Bldg 8053), not later than 1 hour after hunting hours on the day of the kill.
- e. <u>Areas Open to Hunting/Scouting</u>: Advanced scouting is encouraged. Not all areas are open to hunting or scouting on any given day. Appendix B identifies scouting and hunting (military training) areas as referenced on the **Game Line (608) 388-4263**.

3-8 SPRING TURKEY - DISABLED HUNTS

- a. <u>Permits</u>: A Fort McCoy Spring Turkey hunting permit, Wisconsin Class A or Class C hunting permit, Wisconsin hunting license (i.e., current Spring Turkey Hunting License, Conservation Patron License or a Senior Citizen Recreation Card), and Turkey Stamp are required. Conservation Patron License and Senior Citizen Cardholders are exempt from the stamp requirement. All persons must reference the Wisconsin Spring Turkey Hunting Regulations for additional license information.
- b. <u>Seasons</u>: The Disabled Spring Turkey season on Fort McCoy, if held, will be in conjunction with the Wisconsin Spring Turkey season. Dates may vary depending area availability.
- c. <u>Hunting Hours and Ammunition</u>: Reference State of Wisconsin Spring Turkey Hunting Regulations. Any changes to hunting hours will be provided to hunters and/or announced on the Game Line (608) 388-4263.
- d. <u>Registration</u>: All turkeys harvested on Fort McCoy **must be registered** at the Pine View Recreation Area Main Office (Bldg 8053), not later than 1 hour after hunting hours on the day of the kill.
- e. <u>Areas Open to Hunting/Scouting</u>: Hunting areas will be determined by the Wildlife Biologist based on turkey management needs and hunter accessibility requirements. Appendix B shows overall scouting/hunting (military training) areas as referenced on the **Game Line (608) 388-4263.**
- f. <u>Hunter Briefings</u>: Individuals selected for the Disabled Spring Turkey season may be required to attend an informational and safety briefing with the Wildlife Biologist.

3-9 TRAPPING REGULATION: (map provided when permit is issued)

- a. <u>Season</u>: The Fort McCoy Trapping seasons and dates coincide with the State of Wisconsin seasons and dates. Trappers are reminded that, due to furbearing management goals, seasons may be closed at any time. Trapping will not be permitted during the Gun-Deer Season.
- b. Trappers will inform the Fort McCoy Biologists of the date they intend to start trapping. Trappers will also provide maps to the Biologists that indicate location, number and sizes of traps being used no later than one week after they are first set; the Biologists will furnish copies of all trapping maps to the Chief, Law Enforcement Branch. Unless trappers are authorized by the installation Biologists, they shall not, during the term of the permit, trap any furbearer in areas other than those designated on the trapping map.

- d. All 220 Conibear dry land sets will be adequately covered so as to minimize the possibility of accidental injury to non-target animals or humans.
 - e. Coyote sets are limited to #2 offset coil spring traps or smaller.
- f. The Fort McCoy law enforcement officials, Biologist, or representatives may accompany trappers at any time to check their traps. All traps must be removed from the installation at the close of the trapping season.
- g. <u>If requested</u>, all raccoon carcasses will be turned in to the Wildlife Biologist within 3 days from the day they were trapped.
- h. One trapper will be allowed to trap raccoon in specific areas within the Cantonment Area. A drawing will be held to determine who will be allowed to trap in these specified areas (See Trapping Permit Application). Additional regulations will apply to these areas.
- i. Trappers will furnish to the Biologist a report each week that shows the daily catch by furbearer species. Reports must be turned in by the Tuesday following the prior week of trapping. Late turn-in of weekly reports may result in suspension of trapping privileges. Additional information or data may also be required from trappers.
 - j. No more than seventy-five (75) traps will be set at one time by each permitted trapper.
- 3-10 FISHING REGULATION: (refer to map at appendix E)
- a. <u>Categories and Fees</u>: All persons fishing on Fort McCoy are required to have an annual Fort McCoy permit. Wisconsin residents 65 and over, disabled (as determined by applicable Wisconsin Law), children under age 16 fishing independently, and 4-day <u>residents/nonresidents</u>, may purchase a reduced fee permit.
- b. <u>Expiration</u>: All fishing permits expire <u>31 March</u>. Fishing permits are non-transferable and non-refundable. Permit expiration coincides with annual Wisconsin Fishing License expiration.
- c. <u>Seasons and Dates</u>: Fishing is permitted on lakes, ponds, and streams from the first Saturday in May through 30 September (refer to map at appendix E). Unless posted, all lakes will be open for the late trout season (including ice fishing) 1 October through 1 March. Fishing is <u>NOT</u> allowed on Fort McCoy lakes and ponds from 2 March until the inland fishing season opener, except on the North Flowage, which will be open for panfish all year except as stated in these regulations. No fishing is allowed anywhere on Fort McCoy during the Gun-Deer Season. Fort McCoy streams will be open for the early catch and release trout season format as explained in the Wisconsin Trout Fishing Regulations and Guide. Anglers are responsible for knowing if fishing areas are closed due to training. This information can be obtained by calling the <u>Game Line (608) 388-4263</u> or by checking at the designated sign in / sign out locations.
- d. <u>Ice Fishing</u>: Anglers may fish through the ice on all lakes at their own risk. Barbless hooks must be used when ice fishing on East Silver Lake and Sparta Pond.
- e. <u>Size Limit</u>: There is an 8" minimum size limit for panfish on West Sandy Lake. There is a 15-22" slot limit for largemouth bass on the North Flowage, where none can be kept within the slot, and only one over 22" can be kept daily. There is no size limit for rainbow trout in Sandy and Big Sandy Lakes. All other size limits are the same as those listed in the State of Wisconsin Fishing Regulations.
- f. <u>Bag Limit</u>: THE DAILY BAG LIMIT OF TROUT ON FORT McCOY IS 5 AND POSSESSION LIMIT IS 10. **Silver Creek from the West Silver Wetland Dam downstream to the western boundary of Fort McCoy is the only exception to the 5 trout bag limit. <u>In this area, the trout bag limit will be 3 and only artificial lures may be used.</u> This section is highlighted on your fishing map. The daily bag limit for panfish is 10 in total for West Sandy Lake. The daily bag limit is 2 in total for largemouth bass on the North Flowage with only 1 allowed over 22". Bag limits on other fish species and size regulations coincide with Wisconsin Regulations. Fish caught by children under 16 years old**

who do not possess a Fort McCoy Fishing Permit are included in the accompanying state licensed angler's daily bag limit. The bag limit and possession limit for the early trout season is zero.

- g. <u>Boats and Motors</u>: Operation of gasoline motors is prohibited on all Fort McCoy waters. When the motor cannot be removed from the boat, the prop or fuel tank must be removed and left in the vehicle. Boats and canoes with or without electric trolling motors are allowed only on the North Flowage, West Sandy, Sandy, Big Sandy, Alderwood, Squaw, and East Silver Lakes. Boats and canoes are <u>NOT</u> allowed on Hazel Dell, Stillwell, Swamp or Sparta Ponds. At least one U.S. Coast Guard approved life preserver must be available and on board for each person and placed readily accessible. All boats and canoes on Fort McCoy waters must comply with Wisconsin Boating Regulations.
- h. <u>Minnows and Crayfish</u>: Legal minnows may <u>ONLY</u> be used in the North Flowage. Other than the North Flowage, minnows dead or alive (except commercially preserved) are not allowed as bait or to be in an angler's possession at any time. Crayfish are not allowed as bait on <u>any</u> Fort McCoy lakes or streams.
- i. <u>Swimming / Wading</u>: Swimming is not allowed on Fort McCoy, except at the Pine View Recreation Area beach, when open and the lifeguard is on duty. Wading in lakes and streams is allowed only while in the act of fishing.

Appendix A References:

10 USC, 2671

16 USC, 670, a through f

18 USC, 13

40 USC, 318 (a)

WI Statutes

WI Natural Resource Code

Fort McCoy Regulation 190-5

Fort McCoy Regulation 190-8

Fort McCoy Regulation 190-12

Fort McCoy Regulation 385-1

Appendix A to Fort McCoy Regulation 190-13

SUSPENSION/REVOCATION OF FORT MCCOY GAME PRIVILEGES

The suspension of game privileges is an additional administrative action in conjunction with any judicial or punitive actions. Suspension shall be immediate and revocation shall include from date of offense to include suspension period.

VIOLATION/OFFENSE ACTION	<u>ACTION</u>
Hunting deer or turkey during the closed season	Permanent Revocation
Persons found to be legally intoxicated while hunting, trapping, or while operating watercraft	Permanent Revocation
Entering the North Impact Area for ANY reason	Permanent Revocation
Killing or taking protected, threatened or endangered species	Permanent Revocation
Shining wild animals while in possession of a weapon	Permanent Revocation
Hunting, fishing, trapping while under suspension/revocation of hunting privileges	Permanent Revocation
Harassing, disturbing or pursuing endangered species	Five Year Revocation
Hunting before or after hours	Three Year Revocation
Possession of an illegal deer	Three Year Revocation
Persons consuming alcohol while in hunting or trapping area	Two Year Revocation
Molesting or appropriating the traps or trapped animals of another	Two Year Revocation
Hunting from an observation tower or any other structure found on ranges	Two Year Revocation
Constructing or hunting from a permanent tree stand, fail to remove daily	Two Year Revocation
Shooting from or across a road	Two Year Revocation
Harassing, disturbing or pursuing protected species	One Year Revocation
Hunting, fishing, trapping without a valid Wisconsin license or proper stamps	One Year Revocation
Hunting, fishing, trapping without the appropriate (valid) Fort McCoy permit	One Year Revocation
Making an unauthorized deer drive	One Year Revocation
Failure to register a deer/turkey on Fort McCoy the day the deer/turkey is harvested	One Year Revocation
Using bait illegally for hunting, trapping game	One Year Revocation
Failure to make reasonable effort to retrieve downed game	One Year Revocation
Trapping with untagged or improperly tagged traps	One Year Revocation
Failure to provide warden accurate trapping maps in time period specified	One Year Revocation
Operating more than 75 traps for furbearers	One Year Revocation
Failure to remove traps after season closes	One Year Revocation
illegal use of traps, pitfalls, and/or similar devises	One Year Revocation
Transporting a loaded or uncased weapon in or on a vehicle	One Year Revocation
Failure to check leghold traps on a daily basis (dry or wet)	One Year Revocation
Hunting with an illegal or unauthorized weapon, ammunition, etc.	One Year Revocation
Hunting small game, trapping or fishing during the closed season	One Year Revocation

Failure to validate or attach deer/turkey carcass tag before transporting it in any manner	One Year Revocation
Failure to check in at designated check station	One Year Revocation
Hunting Turkeys/Deer with the aid of dogs	One Year Revocation
Using live decoys for the purpose of enticing wild turkey	One Year Revocation
Hunting turkeys with the aid of electronically produced sound	One Year Revocation
Digging, disturbing the soil or painting vegetation of any kind	One Year Revocation
Harassing/obstructing other hunters, trappers, or fishermen	One Year Revocation
Failure to cooperate with government officials when in execution of their duties	One Year Revocation
Littering or depositing debris on Fort McCoy	Up to One Year Revocation
Violation of BLACK OUT Drive restrictions	Up to One Year Revocation
Driving/parking motor vehicle on ice	Six Month Revocation
Hunting, scouting, or tracking w/o warden in closed area	Sixty Day Revocation
Unauthorized swimming ————————————————————————————————————	Sixty Day Revocation
Use of minnows as bait except on North Flowage waters, use of crayfish	Sixty Day Revocation
Shining wild animals at anytime on Fort McCoy	Sixty Day Revocation
Entering the Gun-Deer hunting area w/o appropriate (valid) hunting permit(s)	Sixty Day Revocation
Possession of under sized fish, exceeding daily or possession limits	Sixty Day Revocation
Silver Creek, violation of bag limit or lure restriction	Sixty Day Revocation
Operating vehicles off established roadways, on unauthorized trails, or driving off authorized roads in LRAM areas	Six month Revocation
Any other law covered by the State of Wisconsin Hunting Regulation and/or this regulation	Forfeiture and/or Fine as depicted in the Fort McCoy Forfeiture

Appendix F to Fort McCoy Regulation 190-13 Cantonment and Sparta-Fort McCoy Airport Deer Archery Hunting

- 1. PURPOSE: This regulation sets forth laws and restrictions for archery hunting in the Cantonment Area (CA) and the areas around the Sparta-Fort McCoy Airport (SFMA).
- 2. APPLICABILITY: This regulation applies to all persons, military and civilian, who participate in the CA and SFMA archery hunts which coincides with the regular Wisconsin archery season. All seasons, dates, and restrictions are subject to change.
- 3. GENERAL RESTRICTIONS: To manage the deer population in specific areas in the CA and around the SFMA (see Map-Appendix G), these areas will be open for deer hunting to archers with a Wisconsin license and appropriate Fort McCoy permits (see paragraphs 4a and 4b below).
- 4. SPECIAL PROVISIONS AND CONCERNS: This Appendix to Fort McCoy Regulation 190-13 contains special provisions and regulations that pertain to these hunts. If not specifically stated below, Fort McCoy and Wisconsin Statutes apply.
- a. TO HUNT DEER WITHIN THE CA, ARCHERS <u>MUST POSSES A FORT MCCOY CANTONMENT ARCHERY BONUS TAG. Regular Wisconsin archery tags are not valid in the CA.</u> This special (bonus) Fort McCoy tag allows the archer to shoot a spike buck or antierless deer.
- b. Archers with a Fort McCoy Cantonment Archery Bonus Tag are allowed to use their Bonus Tag in areas around the SFMA for spike buck or antierless deer (See appendix G).
- c. A limited number of special (bonus) tags may be available for purchase on a first-come, first-served basis to hunt deer in these areas. These permits may be purchased from the Permit Sales Office.
- d. Deer drives are NOT allowed in the Cantonment Area. Deer drives are not allowed during the early season around the airport.
 - e. Vehicles are only allowed on established roads and trails.
 - f. Piebald deer are protected in the CA.
- g. Hunters in the CA are not allowed to shoot at deer that are outside wooded areas (i.e., a deer standing in the open in the parade field).
- h. Hunters in the CA are not allowed to walk outside of the hunting areas (with or without a weapon) in an attempt to chase deer into the hunting areas.
 - i. Hunters in the CA are to field dress deer in wooded areas only.
 - j. Special Cantonment Area #26 is closed Monday through Friday.
 - k. Archers may be required to verify the kill site.
 - I. Hunters are not allowed on the airport runways at any time.
- m. The CA and SFMA areas may be closed at anytime during the season. The Game Line, (608)388-4263, will inform hunters in the event an area is closed to hunting.